

NUAGENT WILL RUN FOR N. J. GOVERNOR

He Flatly Declares Against Prohibition and Opposes Woman Suffrage

ASKS "PERSONAL LIBERTY"

Newark, N. J., June 27.—James R. Nugent, Democratic leader of Essex county and former chairman of the Democratic state committee, announced his candidacy last night for the nomination for governor against the incumbent, Woodrow Wilson, the worst ingrate in the state of New Jersey.

When Nugent saw there was no response, he said: "What do I drink alone?" He did.

At the beginning of Wilson's second campaign for the presidency Nugent returned to his support and has maintained friendly relations with the White House since.

Nugent's candidacy was announced at a gathering of Democrats in the Robert Trent Hotel. The principal plank in his platform is opposition to prohibition. In the course of his speech he said: "I purpose waging conflict upon sham hypocrisy, covert understandings, intrigues and coercion in high places."

Commenting on a statement issued by Senator Edwards on June 18, he said: "I realized upon reading this that it has appeared in New Jersey who possesses sufficient strength of character to come out in the open and stand four-square to the wind against the hypocrisy of prohibition."

Edwards on Wednesday issued a statement that he was against prohibition. Nugent regarded this as an attempt to discount his (Nugent's) entry in the race.

Is Against Suffrage

Nugent reiterated his opposition to woman suffrage, calling attention to the 80,000 majority registered against the cause in New Jersey in 1915. It was Nugent who led the fight against the movement at that time.

"I have been led to make this declaration," Nugent said at the opening of his address, "because there does not appear to be a person who is willing to take up the gaze of battle for the preservation and maintenance of our constitutional rights. We are living in troublous days. Political fads, fancies and foibles seem to have gained an upper hand in this state and nation, fancies and fads and fancies that are merely have gripped the minds of every gubernatorial candidate, which, if allowed to come to fruition, will mean the downfall of our government. The time demands a virile and manly citizenship if our national integrity is to be preserved and our free institutions maintained."

"We engaged in a world war for the right of self-determination and for the cause of liberty. At the same time we have allowed our right of self-determination to be abridged—stolen away from us by a coterie of professional reformers."

"Prohibition is not here and will not be until the United States Supreme Court shall have passed upon the constitutionality of the eighteenth amendment that was forced willy-nilly through the various legislatures of the states of the Union, as every one knows, by coercion and intimidation."

"If I am elected governor I shall fight to the bitter end and shall call into service all the powers and all the resources of our sovereign state to the end that this amendment, which robs men and women of their personal liberty, robs them millions of dollars of property and throws hundreds of thousands out of employment is wiped out."

Means Split in Ranks

Nugent's entry means a wide split in the ranks of the Democrats all over the state. For fifteen years he has been regarded as the Democratic leader of the state. He was one of the first to espouse the cause of Senator Edwards and was in agreement with Mayor Frank Hague, of Jersey City, Democratic boss of Hudson county, in supporting Edwards.

Nugent and the Edwards forces split several weeks ago when Edwards's campaign manager, George E. Blakeslee, state highway commissioner, dropped some Nugent men in the organization that was being formed for the campaign. Since then there have been rumors that Nugent would oppose Edwards personally, but he withheld his answer until the dinner last night.

It was Nugent that managed the campaign that resulted in the election of Woodrow Wilson as Governor of New Jersey in 1910. When Wilson refused to stand for former United States Senator James Smith, Jr., as a candidate against James E. Martin, the choice of the primaries for nomination as United States senator Wilson and Nugent broke.

It was shortly after that that Nugent delivered his famous toast at

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HAYS SAYS LEAGUE IS NOT PARTY ISSUE

Republicans Seek Improvement, but Not Defeat of Covenant, Chairman Declares

TREATY MUST BE RATIFIED

Washington, June 27.—The Republican party is not opposed to the league of nations, Will Hays, chairman of the Republican national committee, declared after a long visit to the Capitol yesterday, where he conferred with Republican senators in an effort to unite them on a definite program in regard to the league.

"It is important that the American people should not get the idea the Republican party is opposing the league of nations," said Mr. Hays. "We are doing nothing of the sort. We are merely seeking a basis for united and constructive action with respect to certain amendments or reservations such as those proposed by Mr. Root which would, in our judgment, make the league covenant more acceptable to the Senate and to the country."

The league should not be made a partisan issue, Mr. Hays declared, but he reiterated his former declaration that the covenant should be amended before it is finally ratified.

Further Changes Necessary

"We opposed certain provisions of the league covenant as it was originally drawn," he continued, "with the result that it was materially changed. I believe that further amendments to the modified covenant are necessary. Some of the amendments suggested would further strengthen the covenant and further safeguard the interest of the American people, which is our sole purpose in advocating any amendments or reservations."

"I regard as extremely desirable the ratification of the treaty as quickly as possible, so peace may be established

FIGHT SUFFRAGE IN SOUTH

Louisiana Governor Asks Other Executives to Oppose Ratification

Baton Rouge, La., June 27.—(By A. P.)—Telegrams have been sent by Governor Pleasant, of Louisiana, to the governors of all southern states asking that they oppose ratification of the federal woman suffrage amendment by the legislatures of their states on the grounds that the amendment "simply adds the word 'sex' to the fifteenth amendment."

"In my opinion," said Governor Pleasant in his telegram, "the southern states should give the women the right to vote through the state constitution and then vote solidly against the ratification of the nineteenth amendment."

Atlanta, Ga., June 27.—(By A. P.)—The federal woman suffrage amendment will not come up before the present special session of the Georgia legislature for ratification under an agreement, which supporters of the amendment said today provides for postponement of action until the 1920 regular session.

Brothers Hanged in Connecticut

Wethersfield, Conn., June 27.—Erasmus and Joseph Perotta, brothers of New Britain, were hanged in the state prison here this morning for the murder of Frank Palmese. Erasmus entered the death chamber first. The trap was sprung at 12:45 and he was pronounced dead at 12:48. Joseph was pronounced dead at 12:49.

NONPARTISANS LOSING

Returns Trickle in From North Dakota Referendum

Fargo, N. D., June 27.—(By A. P.)—With the vote of the larger cities apparently against the seven laws submitted to the North Dakota voters for a referendum ballot, interest centered today in the returns from the rural districts. The laws passed by the non-

MORE THAN \$65,000 DUG UP IN BACK YARD

Treasury Employee at Washington Indicted for Embezzlement of Torn Notes

Washington, June 27.—(By A. P.)—Secret service agents of the Treasury Department are said to have struck a veritable gold mine here in prospecting in the back yard of Charles H. Turnbull, a trusted employe in the macerating room of the Treasury Department.

More than \$65,000 in redeemable treasury notes, buried in tin cans and other receptacles, have been found several feet below the surface of the earth. Thousands of dollars in partly mutilated notes also were discovered hidden in the walls, under carpets, and in every conceivable manner, waiting to be rendered negotiable again by a process of piecing together, the agents said.

Turnbull was charged with embezzlement of the notes in an indictment returned by the grand jury. After taking him into custody last night, police said they found on his person several thousand dollars in notes freshly appropriated. Turnbull had recently expressed the intention of resigning in a short time. Fellow employes are said to have told the police.

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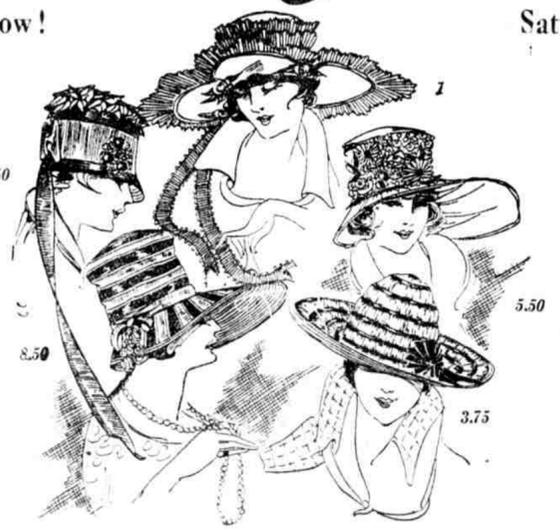
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